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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO ASSAY DEVICES ✓

AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 14 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace claims 3 and 12 as follow:

3. (Amended) An assembly according to claim 1, wherein the chip substantially covers the area of the base.

12. (Amended) An assembly according to claim 11, wherein the array comprises three storage wells.

Please add new claims 16-19 as follow:

--16. An assembly according to claim 12, wherein the three storage wells are arranged in a line.--

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